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L6 56 S L5 AND STAB?  
L7 46 S L6 NOT 2002-2003/PY

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L2 ANSWER 1 OF 4 CA COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS  
TI Stabilization of a **fibronectin** type III domain by the removal of  
unfavorable electrostatic interactions on the protein surface  
AU Koide, Akiko; Jordan, Michael R.; Horner, Scott R.; Batori, Vincent;  
Koide, Shohei  
SO Biochemistry (2001), 40(34), 10326-10333  
CODEN: BICHAW; ISSN: 0006-2960  
PY 2001  
AB It is generally considered that electrostatic interactions on the protein  
surface, such as ion pairs, contribute little to protein stability,  
although they may play important roles in conformational specificity. The  
authors found that the tenth **fibronectin** type III domain of  
human **fibronectin** (FNfn10) is more stable at acidic pH than  
neutral pH, with an apparent midpoint of transition near pH 4. Detn. of  
pKa's for all the side chain carboxyl groups of Asp and Glu residues  
revealed that Asp 23 and Glu 9 have an upshifted pKa. These residues and  
**Asp 7** form a neg. charged patch on the surface of  
FNfn10, with **Asp 7** centrally located between Asp 23  
and Glu 9, suggesting repulsive electrostatic interactions among these  
residues at neutral pH. Mutant proteins, D7N and D7K, in which  
**Asp 7** was replaced with Asn and Lys, resp., exhibited a  
modest but significant increase in stability at neutral pH, compared to  
the wild type, and they no longer showed pH dependence of stability. The  
pKa's of Asp 23 and Glu 9 in these mutant proteins shifted closer to their  
resp. unperturbed values, indicating that the unfavorable electrostatic  
interactions have been reduced in the mutant proteins. Interestingly, the  
wild-type and mutant proteins were all stabilized to a similar degree by  
the addn. of 1 M sodium chloride at both neutral and acidic pH, suggesting  
that the repulsive interactions between the carboxyl groups cannot be  
effectively shielded by 1 M sodium chloride. These results indicate that  
repulsive interactions between like charges on the protein surface can  
destabilize a protein, and protein stability can be significantly improved  
by relieving these interactions.